

# Explorer Girls' Camp Season 2017

## Parent Information Letter



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**Please keep and refer to this letter as it contains important information concerning your daughter's stay at camp, camp directions and the password for our protected website.**

**Health Forms MUST BE in the office before Sunday, July 1, 2017. If you are unable to get your paperwork in before this date, your registration time will begin at 4:00 PM.**

**Arrival/Departure:** We are so happy your daughter will be attending Explorer Girls' Camp 2016 at Victory Valley Camp in Zionsville this year! We ask that you plan to arrive on Sunday July 23, between 3:00-5:00 PM and depart on Saturday, July 29, between 10:30-11:30 AM. Please do not plan to pick up your daughter earlier than 10:30 am on Saturday without making prior arrangements with the Camp Director.

### Mail:

It is great fun to receive mail while at camp. Send a cheerful note to your daughter while she is with us. It would be nice if you left a letter with us on Sunday which will be given to her on Monday. Her address is:

(your daughter's name)  
VICTORY VALLEY CAMP  
7472 Sigmund Rd.  
Zionsville, PA 18092

**E-Mail:** To: patty@egministriesinc.org  
Subj: (your daughter's name)

We will print the email, and she will receive it at the next mail delivery.

### Camp Balance:

Please pay your daughter's entire camp balance (including room & board and Goliath fees) **no later than July 1, 2017. Checks should be made out to [EG Ministries, Inc.](#)**

### Scripture Memory Verses:

In order to help the girls with their Scripture memorization, we are giving you the passage that will be memorized at camp. Please pass this information on to your daughter and encourage her to learn the passage during the summer. Each one who memorizes these verses will earn a beautiful medallion to remind her of Explorer Girls' summer camp!

**The passage to be learned is:**

**Psalm 148:1-6**

The passage may be learned in any version.

### Phone Calls:

You may call the Explorer Girls' office at (610) 626-3332, and we will be glad to help you with any information regarding your daughter's stay at camp. **Please do not contact Victory Valley for any information.**

Receiving calls from home can cause campers to become home sick. Therefore, please do not call the camp to speak to your daughter unless it is an extreme emergency. Campers are not permitted to make out-going calls without the permission of the camp director. **Please DO NOT SEND a cell phone with your daughter.**

### Health Form:

You will find a health form enclosed. Please complete both sides. The form must be signed by a parent and must be in the Explorer Girls' (EG Ministries') office by July 1, 2017 at the latest. This will aid our nursing staff in preparing our records so that we may register your daughter more quickly when she arrives at camp. If your daughter isn't feeling well or has been exposed to a communicable disease within two weeks of her arrival at camp, please contact the Explorer Girls' office before coming.

### Parent Questionnaire:

Please complete the enclosed Parent Questionnaire and send it with your health form. Your honest thoughts about your daughter will help us make her camp experience an enjoyable one.

### Website:

Camp pictures will be available on our website starting Monday afternoon of the camp week. In order to protect our girls, the site is password protected.

The user name is: egcamp  
and the password is: Galaxy17

**Please note that this information is for our camp families only. Thank you.**

### ***Packing:***

**Money:** Your daughter's spending money will be deposited in a personal account during registration. A "store card" reflecting the amount of money deposited will be used in the camp store each day, and her Missionary Offering will be deducted on Thursday of the camping week. Our suggestion for spending money would be between \$20.00-\$25.00. We will be selling EG Tees at \$10.00 and special Camp tees for \$15.00. Additional items in the store include snacks, books, journals and souvenirs.

**Shoes:** Your daughter will need sturdy shoes to wear while at camp; it is a rocky terrain. No open toed shoes, platforms, sandals, clogs, flip-flops, shoes or boots with high heels, or bedroom slippers may be worn around camp. Shower sandals (flip-flops) may be used for the shower and pool only. The showers and rest rooms are located in the cabins. There is a creek on the property and your daughter may have the opportunity to "creek walk". We suggest she pack an old pair of sneakers or water shoes for this activity.

**Goliath:** Any girl involved in rock wall climbing and/or Goliath should bring long shorts or pants. Girls are in safety harness and must be dressed appropriately.

**Horse Activity:** Girls who are interested in riding the horses during our Horse Activity, must wear long pants.

### ***Directions:***

**Victory Valley Camp** is located at 7472 Sigmund Rd., Zionsville, PA, 18092 — which is South of Emmaus and North of Hereford near Route 29/100.

#### **Coming from the North...**

From U.S. 78, take the Cedar Crest Blvd./29 South exit. After about 4 miles, turn right on Chestnut Street (which is still 29 South) at the intersection, where you'll find a McDonald's and a Sovereign Bank. Continue south as 29 becomes 29/100. When you see the Upper Milford Township Fire Department (low, white building) on your left, turn right on Toll Gate Road. After about a mile, bear right at the Victory Valley Camp sign, then less than a mile later, turn right at the next Victory Valley sign. You're on Sigmund Road and you'll see the main camp sign in less than a mile.

#### **Coming from the South...**

Take 100 North past the little town of Hereford. About a mile past the light at the Turkey Hill convenience store, turn left onto Yeakel's Mill Road across from the Italian Restaurant. After less than a mile, turn left at the stop sign onto Sigmund Road. After less than a mile, you'll see the big sign for Victory Valley Camp.

## Camper Packing List

We encourage the staff and the girls to dress modestly during our week at camp. There are men working throughout the camp property daily. Some of the activities also require modest clothing such as climbing the rock wall in the gym, climbing the Sycamore tree as well as Goliath and swimming. This is a suggested guideline.

Bible with pencil or pen

Bedding: Sleeping bag or twin size sheets and blanket and a pillow

Pajamas

Personal care items

Deodorant

Toothpaste

Hair brush/comb

Insect cream/lotion (no aerosols)

Bath soap/wash

Wash cloth

2 Bath towels (Showers are in the cabins and the girls are given the opportunity to shower daily)

1-2 Swim towels

8 pairs of socks (extras in case needed)

8 pairs of underwear (extras in case needed)

Bras

Swim suit (must be modest, 1 piece suits only)

Shorts (no short shorts, fingertip length)

Shirts/tee shirts (no halters, spaghetti straps, midi length, etc.)

2 pair - Long pants or jeans for cool mornings/evenings as well as Horse Activity

Hoodie or jacket for cool mornings/nights

Sturdy shoes (no open-toed shoes allowed on camp except for shower and immediate pool area)

Sturdy sneakers for climbing or hiking

Water shoes for creek

Extra pair of shoes in case of rain

Plastic trash bag for dirty clothes

Rain Poncho and umbrella

Sun glasses

Sun hat or visor

Camera with extra batteries if necessary

Small fan

Writing paper, note cards, pen/pencil, envelopes, stamps

Addresses or preprinted labels of people to whom the girls will be sending mail

Book (for rest hour)

Flashlight

Tuck Shop money (to be turned in to the Tuck Shop on Sunday during registration)

Mission's offering (to be turned in to the Tuck Shop on Sunday during registration)

Medications (to be turned into the nursing staff during registration, please see health form)

Feminine products

Toothbrush

Hair ties/etc.

Sun block (lotion only, no aerosols)

Shampoo and Cream rinse

Chapstick

### LEAVE IT AT HOME!

**Cell phones, Ipods, MP3's, computers, radios, practical joke items, electronic games, aerosol products, matches, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or weapons of any kind, chewing gum, snacks, inappropriate T-shirts.**

### DRESS CODE

- a. Shoes must be worn at all times. Shoes with closed toes and high back must be worn on camp property. Flip flops or water shoes can be worn on the pool deck and in cabins only.
- b. For Horse Activity, long pants must be worn.
- c. Staff and girls should dress modestly so please **do not pack** bikinis (swim suits should be one piece), halter tops, camis (for outerwear), midriff tops, tube tops, or strapless attire.
- d. Pack tank tops with a 3 inch strap or tee shirts. For girls of appropriate age, bras must be worn at all times, except when swimming or sleeping.
- e. Shorts (no short shorts, fingertip length)
- f. Leggings or yoga pants may be worn with a shirt that falls mid-thigh only.
- g. Swimsuits are not to be worn around camp except for swimming (for health reasons as well as modesty).